

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

April 30, 2019

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 30, 2019.

Present were: Marilyn Brown, President
John O'Grady, Commissioner
Kevin L. Boyce, Commissioner

Also present on the dais were Harold Anderson, Director of Business Contracts, Prosecutor's Office; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget; and Victoria Caldwell, Assistant Clerk.

President Brown called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

President Brown: I believe we have a guest from our Animal Shelter. If you would say a few words about what is going on at the Shelter that would be great.

Andrew Kohn: This is Pria. She is available for adoption today. Today is National Adopt a Shelter Pet Day. All dogs at the Shelter today are \$18 in celebration. We are at capacity. We have all types of dogs and they are ready to find a forever home. We encourage everyone to come over today and adopt.

Commissioner O'Grady: I have a Shelter dog. The staff was fantastic in helping us to decide what type of dog we should get. We have had a number of dogs from the Shelter and they all have been great.

Andrew Kohn: This Saturday, we moved to Welcome Adoptions, where we are doing away with our adoption applications to get a dog. All you have to do is fill out a questionnaire and talk to an adoption counselor to find the right dog that fits right for your family.

Resolution No. 307-19, resolution authorizing a second amendment to the 2019 grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Youth Services (\$184,898.68)(Domestic Relations), presented by Barbara Reeves, Deputy Director of Business, Domestic Relations Court.

Ms. Reeves: This resolution is requesting several changes to the 2019 Grant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Youth Services. These changes include:

- Increasing the reception center program to add security services;

- Increase the competency attainment program to service additional youth; and
- Increase the grant administration to add four new positions to provide transportation to youth to the various programs and do a data assessment on the FCJS and the Juvenile Court Justice Information System.

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 307-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 308-19, resolution for plans approved for the replacement of the structure on Borror Road 1.66 over Plum Run North (JAC-TR266-1.66), Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, County Engineer, Engineer’s Office.

Mr. Robertson: Today is Franklin County’s birthday. This first resolution is for Borror Road over Plum Run North. We have prepared the plans and estimates. We are ready to move forward into construction. Approval of this resolution will allow us to schedule the bid opening.

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 308-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 309-19, resolution authorizing a contract with E.P. Ferris and Associates, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in preparing right-of-way and construction plans for the Agler Road 1.52 over Alum Creek project, Mifflin Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$433,542.00)(Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson: This resolution is for a detailed design contract with E.P. Ferris for Agler Road Bridge over Alum Creek. As stated we would recommend your approval and we utilized the qualifications based selection process.

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 309-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 310-19, resolution authorizing a contract with Gannett Fleming Engineers and Architects, P.C., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in preparing right-of-way and construction plans for the Alum Creek Drive at Rohr Road Improvement project, Hamilton Township and Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$329,943.00)(Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson: This is a design contract with Gannett Fleming for Alum Creek and Rohr intersection. This happens to be one of the projects we will pursue TID funding for in May.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 310-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 311-19, resolution authorizing the Franklin County Engineer to enter into a contract modification with Shelly & Sands, Inc. for the Livingston Avenue 5.62 over Blacklick Creek project, (an increase of \$198,387.04) (\$2,026,525.84)(Engineer), presented by Fritz Crosier, Chief Deputy Engineer, Engineer's Office.

Mr. Crosier: This resolution seeks approval to modify the construction contract with Shelly & Sands, Inc. for the Livingston Avenue over Blacklick Creek project. The contractor was asked to increase the scope of the project, so we can complete emergency repairs to provide safe access to the Franklin County facilities service drive southwest of Alum Creek Drive and Frebis Avenue.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 311-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 312-19, resolution for the preliminary allocation and final encumbrance of County Motor Vehicle License Fee (\$5) Funds for the City of Whitehall (\$140,000.00)(Engineer), presented by Mr. Crosier.

Mr. Crosier: The City of Whitehall has requested to use a portion of their permissive fee funds to perform pavement repairs on Fairway Boulevard between Hamilton Road and Country Club Road. The Engineer has reviewed the proposed use of funds and have determined they meet the allowable use.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 312-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 313-19, resolution for the petition filed for vacation of a portion of Canal Street, Village of Shadeville, Hamilton Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Mr. Crosier.

Mr. Crosier: The Hamilton Township Board of Trustees filed a petition to vacate a portion of Canal Street located in the Village of Shadeville. Approval of this resolution would declare the petition valid and allow our office to move forward with other legislative steps to determine if the vacation of this section of roadway is warranted.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 313-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 314-19, resolution authorizing a transfer of General Fund appropriations in order to provide the budgetary allotment for meeting May payroll and other obligations (Board Of Elections), presented by Ed Leonard, Director, Board of Elections.

Mr. Leonard: The resolution is for the month of May budgetary appropriations. The largest increase we have in the material and supplies is for our voting machines transportation contract with E.E. Ward that transports the machines to the locations and post-election. The personnel expenses include additional expenses for our seasonal staffing during the month of May.

We continue to have conversations with the board to find a common ground to identify a promotion portion of the plan. It has been difficult. They are taking the position that the other things we are doing is enough.

Commissioner O'Grady: The last time the County bought new machines was when?

Mr. Leonard: It was 2006.

Commissioner O'Grady: When we did that, the County spent a couple hundred thousand dollars introducing the new machines through television advertising to the public. We have done some demonstrations for the public. How many people have attended those demonstrations?

Mr. Leonard: We have done around 50 demonstrations with around 30 attendees each time.

Commissioner O'Grady: That is not very many people. We have a primary next week, with an expected turnout to be in the single digits.

Mr. Leonard: With the contested mayoral primary in 2015, we only had 9% turnout.

Commissioner O'Grady: As we get to the General Election in the fall, we will have low turnout. Then we have a presidential election next year with high turnout. We are going to have new voting machines that people will have zero experience voting on. We are potentially setting ourselves up for a nightmare. Our board members of the Board of Elections know about these problems. What type of voter turnout do we typically have in a presidential election?

Mr. Leonard: We typically get around 70% turnout. 40% of that will be early voting.

Commissioner O'Grady: I sure hope we are working on other ways to make the board members understand that this is something that is necessary.

Commissioner Boyce: It is starting to get to the level of absurdity. You make the perfect case on why the board should do more to educate the voters and have an obligation to do so. What the board is doing is wrong. The demonstrations you are doing are wonderful, but those are a drop in the bucket of what we can do in terms of advertising.

President Brown: Elections matter. The voting turnout will be low if no one knows where to vote or how to vote. We have so many new people in the community and it is easy for people to not vote. We have to find a way to get through to get the information to the public.

Commissioner O'Grady: From my conversations with a couple of the board members, they feel that enough money has been spent already for the elections. We should never stop promoting voting.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 314-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote with Commissioner O'Grady voting nay.

Resolution No. 315-19, resolution authorizing a contract with Hagerty Consulting, Inc. for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Services (Rebid) (\$264,378.00)(Emergency Management Agency), presented by Jessica Yuzwa, Homeland Security and Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

Ms. Yuzwa: The resolution we have is a contract with Hagerty Consulting. The contract is for exercise coordination planned development and coordination with our Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack grant. It will run through June 30, 2020 for completion of all deliverables with final payments completed by July 30, 2020.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 315-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 316-19, resolution authorizing the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services Director to enter into Data Sharing Agreements and related amendments with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Turner: This resolution authorizes the Director to enter into data sharing agreements and any related amendments with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. We are seeking state hearing data to better inform agency business operations and improve efficiencies. We will seek to integrate the state hearing data in our internal case process tracking system, which will allow us to promptly identify hearing requests and efficiently resolve customer issues. The overall goal is to minimize the number state hearings to the benefit of all parties. The term of this data sharing agreement is March 26, 2019 through June 30, 2021. The agency anticipates entering into similar agreements in the future.

In addition to permitting the Director to enter into this agreement, it will also authorize the Director or designees to enter into any mutually agreed upon modifications or amendments.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 316-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 317-19, resolution authorizing a Second modification to the Contract with American Structurepoint, Inc. for additional Services for the Century Acres Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Project (an increase of \$76,319.64) (\$505,263.48)(Sanitary Engineers), presented by Ryan Stowe, Project Manager, Sanitary Engineers.

Mr. Stowe: Good Morning, Commissioners. I am Ryan Stowe with the Department of Sanitary Engineering. The Sanitary Engineer is requesting the authorization of a second contract modification with American Structurepoint in the amount of \$76,319.64 for the Century Acres WWTP Upgrades project. After preliminary design, capacity issues came to light with the City of Groveport's pump station and downstream gravity sewer mains that would be responsible for handling flow from the Century Acres Subdivision. After reviewing several options, it was decided to make a new connection into the City of Groveport's collection system located at Hayes Rd and Pontius Rd. A connection at this location will be much more economical and presents no known capacity issues. In order to design for this new connection, American Structurepoint's scope and fee must be modified. The proposed modification will cover preliminary design including surveying for the new alignment, along with environmental services and geotechnical services. The additional funding for the modification will be provided by Ohio Water Development Authority's (OWDA) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF)

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 317-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 318-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Alta Sandusky at 1984 Westfield Columbus, OH 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jamie Edwards, Business Service Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Alta M. Sandusky received \$5,289.00 in March 1984. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 318-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 319-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Rosemary Kirk at 8970 Stillwater Drive, Galloway OH 43119 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Rosemary Kirk received \$15,000.00 in August 2000. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 319-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 320-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Billy and Carol Nester at 3525 Cadell Road, Columbus OH 43232 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Billy and Carol and Nester received \$15,000.00 in July 2009. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 320-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 321-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Gary and Connie Jordan at 2435 Rosedale Avenue, Columbus OH 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Gary and Connie Jordan received \$8,562.29 in August 2017. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 321-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 322-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Cevin Williams at 2991 Blue Moon Drive, Columbus OH 43232 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Cevin Williams received \$6,000.00 in September 2012. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 322-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 323-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Melissa Ann Born at 390 Topsfield Road, Columbus OH 43228 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Melissa Ann Born received \$15,000.00 in November 2006. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 323-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 324-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Thomas Olander at 123 Woodcliff, Whitehall, OH 43213 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Thomas Olander received \$3,004.00 in March 2002. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 324-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 325-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Thomas Olander at 101 Woodcliff, Whitehall, OH 43213 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Thomas Olander received \$4,819.00 in March 2002. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 325-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 326-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Thomas Olander at 99 Woodcliff, Whitehall, OH 43213 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Thomas Olander received \$4,819.00 in March 2002. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 326-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 327-19, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Kelie Bowen at 3759 Genessee Ave Columbus OH 43219 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Kelie Bowen received \$15,000.00 in November 2007. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 327-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 328-19, resolution authorizing a contract with Restorative Financial Services LLC for the purchase of financial literacy education under the FY 2016 Justice Assistance Grant program (\$20,875.00)(Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Michael Daniels, Director, Justice Policy and Programs.

Mr. Daniels: The contract before you will purchase financial literacy education for some of our clients. We will be teaching these classes at the Community Based Correctional Facility, to parents involved in the Juvenile Domestic Court and veterans who are incarcerated in the veterans' pod at the Jackson Pike facility.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 328-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 329-19, resolution authorizing a contract for case management and peer support services with Impact Community Action through the FY 2018 SAMHSA Medication Assisted Treatment grant program (\$85,000.00)(Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Mr. Daniels.

Mr. Daniels: This is using our SAMHSA grant we received last year to expand our Medically Assisted Treatment program inside the jail. This contract is with Impact Community Action. We are essentially leasing the full time services of an employee at Impact. For the term of this grant, they will be working with us full time and will be based out of our office.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 329-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 330-19, resolution authorizing a contract with Alvis Inc for transitional housing services through the FY 2018 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site Based grant program (\$26,280.00)(Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Mr. Daniels.

Mr. Daniels: This is the COAP grant that we received with the SAMHSA grant. We are leasing a full time apartment from Alvis with two bedrooms. We will have this at our disposal to house two ladies who are coming out of our program and provide them with immediate transitional housing. This contract covers the rent, utilities and a full time house monitor.

President Brown: This will fill a need that we have.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 330-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 331-19, resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,628,892.12)(Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Interim Director, Purchasing.

Ms. Perry-Balonier: Good morning Commissioners, Megan Perry-Balonier, Interim Director of the Purchasing Department. The resolution before you requests your approval of 100 purchase orders.

Included in this resolution are 29 eligible POs totaling just over \$275K. These are defined as POs in which Small & Emerging Business Enterprises are likely to participate. Of these POs, 15 were awarded to SEBEs totaling \$238,443.36, which is 51% of the eligible PO volume and 86% of the eligible PO dollar value.

These purchase orders have been precertified as to the availability of funds by the County Auditor.

President Brown: We have a public speaker. Will Reverend Richard Burnett please come forward and make your remarks?

Rev. Burnett: We are glad that the County funds agencies that do so much great work in the community. From mid-January to mid-April of this year, we listened each week as you approved funding for various requests. During that time, we have had our members share housing stories. There are 54,000 low-income families paying at least half of their paycheck on housing. Hundreds of our members are part of this 54,000 population. They are seniors, people with disabilities, single parents and recent college graduates. In a recent editorial in the Columbus Dispatch, it was noted that this community is proud of what is referred to the "Columbus Way." Currently, this "Columbus Way" is leaving thousands of families behind, with certain communities continually strained by the lack of good paying jobs, affordable housing and other community problems. It sometimes seems that the Columbus Way ignores the voices of grassroot citizens. The editorial called for expanding the table in making decisions. You can take a step forward and demonstrate that the Columbus Way must include grassroot voices by showing up at the Nehemiah Action on Monday, May 6, 2019. You need to show up and let the constituents know what you are willing or unwilling to do.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 331-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Victoria Caldwell, Assistant Clerk, read one (1) Journalization into the record:

Case #ANX-07-19 - An Expedited Type 2 annexation petition ANX-07-19 was filed with the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department on April 23, 2019. The petition is requesting to annex 1.445 +/- acres from Prairie Township to the City of Columbus. The petition will be considered by the Board of Commissioners on May 28, 2019.

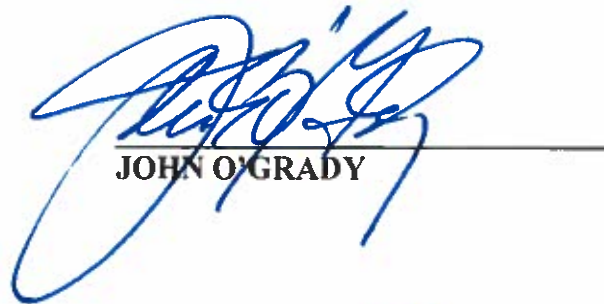
Site: 375 Galloway Road (PID# 240-002333)

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 A.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of April 30, 2019.

MARILYN BROWN, PRESIDENT



JOHN O'GRADY



KEVIN L. BOYCE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Submitted by:



Antwan Booker, Clerk